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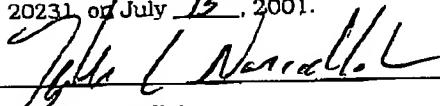
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Title: ENDOVASCULAR GRAFT AND PROCESS FOR BRIDGING A DEFECT IN A MAIN VESSEL NEAR ONE OR MORE BRANCH VESSELS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 13, 2001, said period of response being extended from June 13, 2001 to July 13, 2001. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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